

Union Calendar No. 371

111TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 2408

[Report No. 111-631]

To expand the research and awareness activities of the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to scleroderma, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 14, 2009

Mrs. CAPPS (for herself, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MASSA, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. STEARNS, and Mr. TONKO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

SEPTEMBER 28, 2010

Additional sponsors: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. ISRAEL, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mrs. BONO MACK, Mr. UPTON, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. MAFFEI, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. PIERLUISI, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. PETERS, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. HARE, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. CAMP, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. HALL of New York, Mr. MCMAHON, Mr. ARCURI, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. NADLER of New York, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. MURPHY of New York, Mr. GORDON of Tennessee, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. TERRY, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. SCHAUER, Mr. MCCARTHY of California, Mr. NUNES, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. WEINER, Mr. SESTAK, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. REYES, Ms. SUTTON, Mr. MCKEON, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. HIGGINS, Ms. CLARKE, Ms. CHU, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. DENT, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. DINGELL, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. ROSS, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. OWENS, Mr.

ORTIZ, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. COHEN, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. CARNEY, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. RICHARDSON, Mr. SIRES, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. FILNER, Mr. LEE of New York, Mr. HIMES, Mr. BOCCIERI, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. WALDEN, Mr. OLVER, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mrs. DAHLKEMPER, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. PLATTS

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italie*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on May 14, 2009]

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Scleroderma Research*
5 *and Awareness Act of 2010”.*

6 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ARTHRITIS AND MUS-**
7 **CULOSKELETAL AND SKIN DISEASES;**
8 **SCLERODERMA RESEARCH EXPANSION.**

9 *Part B of title IV of the Public Health Service Act*
10 *(42 U.S.C. 284 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end*
11 *the following:*

12 **“SEC. 409K. SCLERODERMA RESEARCH.**

13 *“The Director of NIH may expand, intensify, and co-*
14 *ordinate the activities of the National Institutes of Health*
15 *with respect to scleroderma, with particular emphasis on*
16 *the following:*

17 “(1) *Research focused on the etiology of*
18 *scleroderma and the development of new treatment*
19 *options.*

20 “(2) *Clinical research to evaluate new treatments*
21 *options.*

22 “(3) *Basic research on the relationship between*
23 *scleroderma and secondary conditions such as pul-*
24 *monary hypertension, gastroparesis, Raynaud’s phe-*

1 *nomenon, Sjögren’s Syndrome, and other diseases as*
 2 *determined by the Director.”.*

3 **SEC. 3. PROMOTING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF**
 4 **SCLERODERMA.**

5 *Part P of title III of the Public Health Service Act*
 6 *(42 U.S.C. 280g et seq.) is amended by adding at the end*
 7 *the following:*

8 **“SEC. 399V-5. PROMOTING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF**
 9 **SCLERODERMA.**

10 *“The Secretary may carry out an educational cam-*
 11 *paign to increase public awareness of scleroderma. Print,*
 12 *video, and Web-based materials distributed through this*
 13 *campaign may include—*

14 *“(1) basic information on scleroderma and its*
 15 *symptoms; and*

16 *“(2) information on—*

17 *“(A) the incidence and prevalence of*
 18 *scleroderma;*

19 *“(B) diseases and conditions affiliated with*
 20 *scleroderma; or*

21 *“(C) the importance of early diagnosis and*
 22 *treatment of scleroderma.”.*

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